

# **PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET**

# **U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

## **BUILDING STRONG**

# C-GLFER-Elkhart River Dam, Elkhart, IN

#### Description

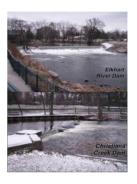
The project is located in Elkhart County, in the City of Elkhart, Indiana. The Elkhart Dam fish passage and riverine restoration site is located northeast of Elkhart Avenue and Waterfall Drive. The Elkhart River is a tributary to the St. Joseph River, which extends a total of 210 miles through portions of northern Indiana and southern Michigan before flowing into Lake Michigan. The Elkhart Dam substantially alters the character of the riverine water system and has also played a central role in the decline of migratory aquatic species by severing their historic migration routes and preventing healthy recruitment. The dam effectively obstructs some 20-30 native fish species, including the state endangered Greater Red Horse and the highly prized Walleye. The restoration project would enable the passage of aquatic species to far reaching areas above the dam, improve the riverine habitat for endangered and threatened fish and mussel species, and stabilize the stream bank and naturalize sediment transport.

# **Congressional Interest**

Walorski (IN-2); Senator Young (IN), Senator Donnelly (IN)

#### **Location Map & Picture**





#### **Non-Federal Project Sponsor**

City of Elkhart, IN

# **Project Authority**

Section 506 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, as amended – Great Lakes Fishery & Ecosystem Restoration (GLFER).

Funding	<u>Total</u>		<u>Federal</u>		Non-Federal	
Current Working Estimate: Funds Allocated prior to FY17:	\$ \$	2,398,000 523,300	\$ \$	1,543,000 523,300	\$ \$	855,000 0
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FY17 GLRI Allocation: FY18 Budget:	\$ \$	307,000 0	\$ \$	30,000 0	\$ \$	277,000 0
Funds required to complete (>FY18):	\$	1,567,700	\$	989,700	\$	578,000

#### Stage

Design and Implementation

#### Status

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) funds were used to prepare the Detailed Project Report (DPR) and associated Environmental Assessment (EA). The DPR was approved by LRD in March 2014. Per request by the City of Elkhart, the preparation of the PPA was delayed until mid-FY17. Preparation of detailed plans and specs began in FY17. Construction award planned in FY19.